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Within these areas, no risk of change is considered acceptable unless it is part of a natural process*

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Melissa:

Since the Coalition was left out as a stakeholder on the Central Coast Stakeholders Group, we sometimes get our information second hand. If the information I am asking about is on the MLPA website, just direct me to the right 'link'.

We have been hearing reports about proposals to create Intertidal Reserves in the MLPA Process. We have yet to find this term defined, and what the regulations are concerning this new designation. What collecting/harvesting practices will be permitted in an Intertidal Reserve, and how will these regulations be enforced? Also, what are the boundaries or benchmarks of an intertidal reserve?

Does the proposal for an Intertidal Reserve in Pacific Grove extend along the entire boundary of the Pacific Grove Marine Gardens Fish Refuge? We understand this is a new DFG concept, and it needs clarification.

How will collecting for 'scientific purposes' be treated within an Intertidal Reserves as there is no definition of Scientific Purposes in the DFG code section. Will educational collecting by the aquaria Industry be permitted in an Intertidal Reserve?

It would seem this is the appropriate time during the MLPA implementation to officially define 'scientific purposes.'

Please pass this e-mail on to the scientific team that is working on the central coast proposals now. This would seem the appropriate time, place and group to develop a definition of "scientific purposes" to be included in the DFG code section.

Thank you.

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